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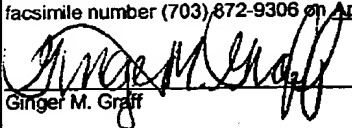
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In response to the Office Action dated January 13, 2005, in the above-identified application, Applicants hereby respond as follows:

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